Weather Event Simulator Case Study

Originating Office : WFO New Orleans/Baton Rouge

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Weather Event : Severe summer thunderstorms - wet microbursts.

Learning Objectives : To properly diagnose the threat of severe weather and to issue the

appropriate warnings for a summer severe thunderstorm event.

Available Data : KLIX, all radar data;

KLCH, KJAN and KPOE; lowest elevation angle data.

: AWIPS model guidance fields.

: All AWIPS satellite imagery (CONUS and smaller scales).

: All AWIPS point data.

: All AWIPS redbook graphics.

Time Period of Data: 1200 - 2359 UTC July 7, 2002.

Type of Simulation : Self-guided, displaced real-time.

Completion Time : 3.5 hours (1500 - 1830 UTC)

Additional Materials: Hard and electronic copies of the Simulation Guide, with a map and list

of severe weather reports are provided. The electronic version will be loaded into a 2002Jul07/docs directory and can also be found in the

/docs directory on the DVD-ROM.

Installation : Use the Case_Installer.tcl script to install the case specifying one (1)

DVD-ROM, the appropriate directory (e.g., /data/awips) on the appropriate hard drive (e.g., /dev/sdb1). The case directory will be

called 2002Jul07.

Special Instructions: This case includes localizations for WES versions 1.0, 1.1, 1.2 and 1.3.

Please "cd" to the 2002Jul07/localizationDataSets subdirectory and extract (zcat | tar -xvf -) the appropriate localization for your version of

the WES software.